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Roxbury, August 15, 1872 -

Dear friend Tracy:

I have been absent from home for several days on an excursion to the lakes and mountains of New Hampshire, & see your kind, congratulatory letter in regard to my review of Mr. Sumner's ill-advising letter would have been answered at an earlier date. It gave me special gratification to receive it, because it came not only from an old friend, but from one of those who labored in the anti-slavery cause years before either Mr. Sumner or Mr. Greeley were disposed to bear any testimony on the subject.

I am receiving from all quarters similar letters, warmly thanking me for my reply.

When I wrote it, I had no thought
of its receiving a tithe of the attention
and commendation it has
elicited. It pained me greatly
to see Mr. Sumner using his great
influence to secure the colored
votes of the country for the Can-
didate of the party which em-
bodies the most dangerous elements
in the land; and I could not
do otherwise than try to prevent
any such perversion of the
elective franchise.

Heartily yours,

Wm. Lloyd Garrison -

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